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Exhibit M

Appl. No.: 09/910,936

Re: New U.S. Non-Provisional Utility Patent Application
For: Network Address Translation in a Gateway
Inventor(s): Phadnis *et al*
Our Ref.: CSCO-5; Your's: 79361

Dear Amit:

Appended is a copy of the first draft of the patent application in the above-referenced matter. Please review it carefully and let me know of *any* comments you have.

The application is believed to be complete in all respects except for the points noted in the footnotes. The points noted in the footnotes need to be addressed.

I look forward to your feedback.

Yours Sincerely,

Naren Thappeta

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